



274.43266CX2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Akira YAMAMOTO

Serial No.: 10/801,686

Filed: March 17, 2004

For: DIRECT ACCESS STORAGE HAVING PLURAL INTERFACES WHICH  
PERMIT RECEIPT OF BLOCK AND FILE I/O REQUESTS

Group: 2182

Examiner: A. Casiano

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 23, 2004

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action dated August 23, 2004. A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C., Account No. 50-1417 (Case No. 274.43266CX2).

Respectfully submitted,

MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C.

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